

REMARKS

Claims 1-4, 6, 9, 40, 41, 48-51, 70, 72, 76, 77 and 83-90 are pending.

In the Office Action mailed October 14, 2009, the Examiner provisionally rejected claims 40-41, 48-51 and 85-90 on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting over claims 68-94 of copending Application No. 12/248,616. Applicant hereby files a Terminal Disclaimer. The Terminal Disclaimer is being filed to advance prosecution of this Application and to seek allowance at the earliest possible date. Therefore, no admission may be inferred from this response or the Terminal Disclaimer being filed.

In view of the foregoing, applicant believes the double patenting rejections have been resolved. However, if the Examiner has any additional concerns, then the undersigned counsel would be happy to discuss any remaining questions at the Examiner's convenience.

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Applicant submits that the present application is in condition for allowance, and favorable consideration and prompt allowance are respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned to discuss the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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